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1. Rail movements observed in FRANKFURT/Oder (O 53/V 63):

25X1 26 September 1949

25X1 Train of four boxcars occupied by troops with red-bordered black epaulets and several flatcars, carrying fourteen 122-mm guns with limbers, moving from the marshaling yard towards the railroad passenger station.

27 September 1949

Train carrying 54 trucks, moving from the marshaling yard to the railroad passenger station.

28 September 1949

Train of 80 cars, loaded with ammunition, moving across the Oder River bridge towards Poland. Some of the cars had arrived from STRAUSBERG (N 53/V 15) on the preceding day.

29 September 1949

25X1 Train carrying 50 to 60 motor vehicles in need of repair.

25X1 standing in the marshaling yard. [REDACTED] 25X1

30 September 1949

2. Two trains without engine were observed at the FRANKFURT/Oder railroad station. One train carried 15 [REDACTED] trucks mounting rocket launchers and three mortars. The second train carried twelve T34 tanks and one JS tanks and also had 16 boxcars. Young tank troops were observed on the latter train. 25X1

3. Rail movements observed in FRANKFURT/Oder:

4 October 1949

Train carrying eight 7.2-mm guns with muzzle brake and twelve

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122-mm guns with limbers, moving towards COTTBUS (N 52/A 57).

8 October 1949

a. Train carrying thirty-five 76.2-mm guns, standing in the marshaling yard. The train was said to have come from ALTENGRABOW (N 53/Z 00). It left FRANKFURT/Oder on 9 October 1949, moving across the Oder River bridge towards Poland.

b. Troops with red-bordered black epaulets (on five box-cars), seven 76.2-mm antiaircraft guns, 1 field kitchen and 20 trucks [redacted] were detrained at about noon [redacted]

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The troops moved to the Artillerie Kaserne.

9 October 1949

About a hundred troops with full pack arrived on the regular passenger train from the direction of FUERSTENWALDE (N 53/V 33) and proceeded towards LIEBEROSE (N 52/A 49) - COTTBUS (N 52/A 57).

11 October 1949

a. Train of 23 cars, each loaded with 6 AT guns, and 1 car, carrying a 122-mm gun, standing in the marshaling yard at 9 a.m.

b. Train of 18 cars, each carrying two 76.2-mm guns with muzzle brake, standing in the marshaling yard at 4 p.m.

14 October 1949

4. A train carrying troops with red-bordered black epaulets (on two boxcars), 54 light AT guns, 26 light infantry guns and 8 heavy infantry guns with limbers passed through FRANKFURT/Oder proceeding towards COTTBUS.

5. Soviet shipments observed in FRANKFURT/Oder:

16 October 1949

a. Train with 40 new [redacted] trucks, leaving the marshaling yard in the direction of COTTBUS.

b. Shipment of 20 motorized field kitchens, standing in the marshaling yard, labeled "KOENIGSBRUECK to FRANKFURT/Oder [redacted]"

17 October 1949

a. Eight railroad cars with ammunition, standing in the marshaling yard, labeled "from FINOW to FINSTERWALDE [redacted]"

b. Four railroad cars with ammunition, standing in the marshaling yard, labeled "from FINOW to COTTBUS [redacted]"

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25X1 [REDACTED] Comment:

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a. The shipments consisting exclusively of weapons are believed to have been old materiel going to the Soviet Union or new materiel destined for units in the Soviet Zone of Germany. Such shipments were mostly observed in FRANKFURT/Oder between 20 September and 17 October 1949.

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b. The AAA troops who were detained in FRANKFURT/Oder at noon on 8 October 1949 presumably came from maneuvers at the Letzling Heath. The train was observed [REDACTED] to depart from NEUHALDENSLIEBEN on 7 October 1949.*

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